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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Miss Tania James has been employed as a teacher at this school since 1 January 2003. While primarily engaged as our Kindergarten teacher, Tania has also taught a Year Five class half a day per week for six months and done relief teaching across the school.

Her ability to adjust to students of different ages and to not just manage them but build up a rapport is commendable.

Miss James shows serious professionalism in her approach to implementing outcomes – focused education and deepening her knowledge of teaching/learning processes. One of her many strengths is her high degree of commitment to her job and her school.

I have been greatly impressed by the mature approach Tania has taken in managing the two teacher assistants who work for her. Even when the relationship between these two threatened to break down Tania devised a plan to address the issue, and after consulting me, put it into effect. The outcome was a greatly improved level of collaboration and positive energy in her team.

Despite being a graduate, Miss James contributes to staff meeting discussions and has shown initiative in researching topics and sharing her findings with the staff. She also has the good sense to consult with her colleagues whenever she is unsure of school protocols or system policies.

Overall I must say that I have been impressed by the high level of resourcefulness and initiative that Tania has displayed on many occasions.

It is most unfortunate that this school is not in a position to offer Tania anything more than part-time employment in 2004 as she is a true asset to the school.

I commend her to you as a very competent teacher and great staff member. Should you wish to discuss Tania's many attributes further, please do not hesitate to telephone.

CHRIS KENWORTHY
PRINCIPAL
28 August 2003

22 September 2003

Mr Chris Kenworthy
Principal
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Teaching can be a challenging profession with sometimes very little recognition. However we, the parents and carers of the Kindergarten class wish to praise one of your most valuable staff members – Miss Tania James.

As our children commence the 'first stage' of their education we could not be happier with the choice of teacher. Miss James has a fantastic rapport with the children, you just have to see it in their faces and listen to them talk about "Miss James" with affection.

Miss James takes a genuine interest in her students and always takes the time to talk and listen to the children. She is not afraid to interact with them on 'their level'. With a bubbly and friendly personality, the parents find her very approachable and able to discuss any issues or concerns at hand. For such a young teacher she shows a standard of maturity and responsibility well beyond her years.

We believe it would be a great injustice to the school and especially to the children if we could not retain Miss James' services and provide her with additional teaching hours. It is not very often that a teacher of her calibre comes along. Given Miss James' contributions to our children's education we urge St Dominic's to do their utmost to keep her at the school where she belongs.

We ask that you consider ways that Miss James' hours may be increased. It would be a sad day to see someone who brings such joy and happiness to the children and school, lost to another school.

With Regards

Parents and Carers
St Dominic's Kindergarten Class.

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14th August, 2002

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Tania James completed her Assistant Teacher Programme in my Pre Primary and throughout her ATP Tania displayed a sincere and enthusiastic approach to her teaching responsibilities. She maintained a warm rapport with the children, and she was always well organised and her work ethic is of an extremely high standard.

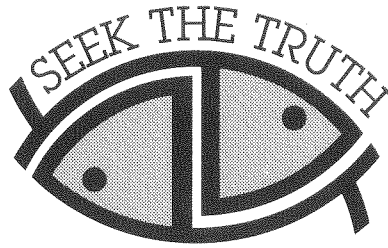
She displayed highly developed interpersonal skills which lead her to effectively develop positive relationships with each child, parents and staff. Tania demonstrates maturity well beyond her years.

The learning environment developed and maintained by Tania reflected a caring, inclusive and challenging approach to teaching.

Tania has demonstrated outstanding qualities throughout her practice, and her professionalism is to be commended. These qualities have been displayed most confidently, during her ATP and have rewarded her with an OUTSTANDING mark. She will be a great asset to any school and, of course, to the children she teaches and I am extremely happy to recommend her to any future employer.

Yours sincerely,

Trish van Kann.
Holy Spirit Pre Primary Teacher.



St. Denis School

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12 May 1998

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Tania James, a former student of St Denis School, spent the majority of Term 1 of 1998 in a voluntary work experience capacity in our Pre Primary and Kindergarten classes. This was part of her decision to further a career as a teacher assistant in junior primary education.

Tania was well known to a number of our staff members, who remembered her as a very diligent, caring and co-operative student at St Denis and were very happy to see her return to our school.

During the time spent at St Denis School, Tania demonstrated numerous excellent qualities, skills and abilities that are well suited to her chosen career in junior primary education. These included:

- the ability to work well with children in large or small groups and of different abilities.
- being able to carry out table activities with groups of children with little assistance or teacher supervision.
- using appropriate language for children in Kindy and Pre Primary.
- co-operating with all staff members and always being willing to help at any time.
- the ability to observe the children carefully and pick up what was expected of them with respect to skill level, expected behaviours and so on.
- showing initiative at all times and not having to be "spoon fed" directions and tasks.

Tania impressed me greatly with all the above qualities and she appeared very happy and comfortable in the junior primary setting. I am sure that she has chosen the correct career path and, judging by the way she worked with our students during Term 1, I am sure she will have a very successful career as a teacher assistant in a primary school, particularly in the junior primary area.

I would like to thank Tania sincerely for all she did at St Denis during her work experience and wish her every success in the future. Upon her graduation from her tertiary course in primary education, I would recommend her to any school looking for a young, energetic, committed teacher assistant.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "V.P. Di Carlo".

V P DI CARLO
PRINCIPAL